

Greetings,

It has come to my attention that The National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), the organization that represents the large radio and television owners, is using its lobbyists, campaign contributions, and political influence to have Congress and the Federal Communications Commission limit XM (Satellite) Radio's ability to provide its customers with "locally oriented" content, including the new XM Instant Traffic & Weather channels. This goes against every principle that allows commerce in this country to be as great as it is today. Markets should force competing companies to come out with a better product in order to defeat its competitors, not crush its competition through lobbyists and silly regulations.

I respectfully urge you to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and to support XM's ability to provide the kind of programming that its listeners demand and deserve.

I thank you for your time.

Respectfully,
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